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SUBJECT: DATA RELATING TO UNHCR MATERIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
CY 1976 AND 1977

REFS: (A) STATE 172808; (B) STATE 172898

UNHCR HAS FURNISHED INFORMATION REQUESTED REFTELS. REPLIES
ARE KEYED TO QUESTIONS IN RESPECTIVE REFTELS.

A. GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 1976, OTHER THAN THAT OF
THE UNITED STATES, ARE EXPECTED TO BE BETWEEN \$8.5 AND
\$9 MILLION. THE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 1977, OTHER THAN THAT
OF THE UNITED STATES, ARE LIKELY TO BE ABOUT \$9 TO \$10
MILLION, BASED ON THE PREMISE THAT UNHCR'S 1977 PROGRAM
LEVEL WILL APPROXIMATELY CORRESPOND, IN REAL TERMS, TO
THE 1976 ESTIMATE OF FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS.

B. (1) THE UNHCR ANNUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR 1976,
TO BE PRESENTED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE HIGH
COMMISSIONER'S PROGRAM AT ITS 26TH SESSION STARTING IN
GENEVA ON 6 OCTOBER 1975, IS AT PRESENT BUDGETED AT
\$13,848,000. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE AT THIS STAGE TO PROJECT
REALISTICALLY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE ANNUAL ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM FOR 1977; HOWEVER, GIVE THE SIZE OF THE
EXISTING CASELOAD, IT IS REASONABLE TO EXPECT THAT THE
FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS IN 1977 WILL CORRESPOND, IN
REAL TERMS, TO THE 1976 LEVEL. THIS, HOWEVER, WILL
DEPEND UPON THE SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF THE REFUGEE
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CASELOAD.

(2) FOLLOWING IS BREAKDOWN GIVING THE MAJOR COMPONENTS FOR THE 1976 ANNUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BY AREA, ACTIVITY AND CATEGORY OF REFUGEES. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE AT THIS STAGE TO ATTEMPT A SIMILAR BREAKDOWN FOR 1977. (IN THOUSANDS OF US \$)

LOCAL SETTLEMENT: AFRICA - 3,982; EUROPE - 656; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - 458; MIDDLE EAST AND N. AFRICA - 586; GLOBAL AND REGIONAL PROJECTS - 120; NOT YET DETERMINED - NONE; TOTAL - 5,802.

MULTIPURPOSE ASSISTANCE: AFRICA - 276; EUROPE - NONE; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - NONE; M.E. AND N. AFRICA - NONE; GLOBAL AND REG. PROJECTS - NONE; NOT YET DETERMINED - NONE; TOTAL - 276.

VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION: AFRICA - 3; EUROPE - NONE; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - NONE; M.E. AND N. AFRICA - NONE; GLOBAL AND REG. PROJECTS - 75; NOT YET DETERMINED - NONE; TOTAL - 78.

PROMOTION OF RESETTLEMENT: AFRICA - NONE; EUROPE - 5; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - 860; M.E. AND N. AFRICA - NONE; GLOBAL AND REG. PROJS. 507; NOT YET DETERMINED - NONE; TOTAL - 1,372.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE : AFRICA - NONE; EUROPE - 55; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - 56; M.E. AND N. AFRICA - NONE; GLOBAL AND REG. PROJ. 103; NOT YET DETERMINED - NONE; TOTAL - 214.

COUNSELLING: AFRICA - 84; EUROPE - 53; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - 79; M.E. AND N. AFRICA - 34; GLOBAL AND REG. PROJ. 175; NOT YET DETERMINED - NONE; TOTAL - 425.

REHABILITATION OF THE HANDICAPPED: AFRICA - NONE; EUROPE - NONE; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - NONE; M.E. AND N. AFRICA - NONE; GLOBAL AND REG. PROJ. 30; NOT YET DETERMINED - NONE; TOTAL - 30.

SUPPLEMENTARY AID: AFRICA - 127; EUROPE - 66; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - 1,410; M.E. AND N. AFRICA - 152; GLOBAL AND REG PROJ. - 90; NOT YET DETERMINED - NONE; TOTAL - 1,845.

PROGRAM SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION: AFRICA - NONE; EUROPE - NONE; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - 345; M.E. AND UNCLASSIFIED

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N. AFRICA - 85; GLOBAL AND REG. PROJ. - 2,126; NOT YET DETERMINED - NONE; TOTAL - 2,556.

RESERVE: NOT YET DETERMINED - 1,250; TOTAL - 1,250.

TOTALS: AFRICA - 4,472; EUROPE - 835; AMERICAS AND OCEANIA - 3,208; M.E. AND N. AFRICA - 857; GLOBAL AND REG. PROJ. - 3,226; NOT YET DETERMINED - 1,250; TOTAL - 13,848.

(3) THE PROGRAM FOR ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES FROM CHILE IN LATIN AMERICA IS INCLUDED IN UNHCR'S ANNUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR 1976. AS PERSONS ARE STILL LEAVING CHILE, HOWEVER, SUCH ASSISTANCE MIGHT WELL HAVE TO BE CONTINUED INTO 1977, CALLING FOR FINANCING, ALBEIT ON A DECREASING SCALE, DEPENDING LARGELY ON THE NUMBER OF PLACES MADE AVAILABLE BY COUNTRIES OF RESETTLEMENT.

(4) SPECIAL APPEALS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR EACH OF THE UNHCR INDOCHINA PROGRAMS, WHICH WILL BE FUNDED EXCLUSIVELY FROM CONTRIBUTIONS EARMARKED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IT IS NOT INTENDED THAT FUNDS FROM THE UNHCR ANNUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR 1976, NOR POSSIBLY FOR 1977, SHOULD BE APPLIED TO THESE SPECIAL OPERATIONS IN INDOCHINA. THIS INCLUDES ALL STAFF COSTS AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES, IN THE FIELD AS WELL AS AT HEADQUARTERS, WHICH WILL BE DEBITED TO THE INDOCHINA PROGRAM AND FINANCED FROM CONTRIBUTIONS GIVEN FOR THIS PURPOSE.

(5) IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT UNHCR'S ANNUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR 1976 HAS BEEN PREPARED ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO UNHCR IN JULY 1975. IT DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ANY NEW REFUGEE SITUATIONS WHICH MAY ARISE IN THE LATTER PART OF 1975 AND IN THE COURSE OF 1976. IT MAY, THEREFORE, BE NECESSARY, AT THE OCTOBER 1976 SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, TO REQUEST AN INCREASE IN THE 1976 TARGET IN THE LIGHT OF DEVELOPMENTS. SUCH INCREASES HAVE BEEN NECESSARY IN RECENT YEARS, AND THE HIGH COMMISSIONER WILL SIMILARLY REQUEST THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT ITS 26TH SESSION IN OCTOBER 1975 TO APPROVE AN INCREASE IN THE 1975

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TARGET FROM \$12,656,000 TO \$14,117,000. THE 1976 TARGET THEREFORE SHOULD BE REGARDED AS THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS WHICH CAN REASONABLY BE FORESEEN AT PRESENT.DALE

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